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To the Editor of THE WESTMINSTER REVIEW.

SIR,—In the last number of THE WESTMINSTER I find the following sentences:—"We should like to know whether any part of it" (Dr. Ward's fund) "has ever been appropriated to a different purpose from that which Dr. Ward contemplated. Has any part of it ever been absorbed by one of the more prominent Colleges, without any student deriving benefit therefrom?" (p. 432.)

Dr. Ward's Fund is administered under the Charity Commission. The Trustees are well known. And I can affirm that *there is no ground whatever for your Reviewer's question.*

Again:—"A lecturer on divinity in a Baptist College said to his class, after elaborating a cumulative argument against election. When I was a student at Edinburgh, Dr. Brown used a very powerful argument against the Calvinistic theology. But he finished by saying, 'That is the argument; but mind, it is your duty to believe and preach Calvinism'" (p. 438).

I am the only lecturer on divinity in a Baptist College who studied in Edinburgh. I may therefore conclude that your Reviewer refers to me. Every part of his anecdote is a mistake. My cumulative argument did not refer to election, but to what is called restricted atonement. I never named Dr. Brown, but Dr. Hill. His "very powerful argument" is in his book, and was used long before I was in Edinburgh. It is not an "argument," but a selection of Scripture passages. And I mentioned his remark, not to approve it, but to warn students against it, and to congratulate them that they had to take their theology, not from creeds, but from the Bible.

The above corrections I ask you to insert in fairness and on personal grounds.

Yours very truly,

JOSEPH ANGUS.

College, Regent's Park, Nov. 27th, 1871.

*** We are glad to receive Dr. Angus's assurance that there is no ground whatever for our question concerning the administration of Dr. Ward's Fund.

Respecting the "anecdote," the truth of which Dr. Angus denies, the evidence is certainly conflicting; but, while giving him an opportunity of publishing his own version of it, we must observe that the relator of the anecdote affirms that he himself heard what he relates, and adheres to his own version of the story, Dr. Angus's contradiction notwithstanding.—ED. *W. R.*

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